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TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBLIGATE
A DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION (37 CFR 1.321(C))

Sir:

I, Kevin T. Mansfield, represent that I am the agent of record for this invention.

Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corporation, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, represents that it is the assignee of the entire interest in the above-identified application by virtue of an assignment from the inventors which was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on August 27, 2002 at Reel 013229/Frame 0329.

Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corporation hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the above-identified application which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 to 156 and 173 of any patent granted on pending Application No. 10/089,853 filed April 3, 2002, the application forming the basis of the double patenting rejection.

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Said Application No. 10/089,853 is also entirely assigned to Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corporation by virtue of an assignment from all the inventors, said assignment being transmitted for recordation in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on April 6, 2004. A copy is attached.

Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corporation further agrees that any patent so granted on the above-identified application shall be enforceable only during such period as the legal title to said patent shall be the same as the legal title to the U.S. Patent to issue on Application No. 10/089,853, this agreement to run with any patent granted on the above-identified application and to be binding upon the grantee, its successors and assigns.

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Signed at Tarrytown, New York, this 8th day of April, 2004.

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